

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of using public airwaves to smear a presidential candidate in such a way that is abhorrent to freedom and to all American values.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. This does not serve any interest except Sinclair's and that is not ethical, moral, fair or honorable. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard and when it does there will never be a room large enough to hold all the Americans who will stand up to take our airwaves back from Sinclair and anyone who would so callously and deviously compromise our constitution and our rights. We will never forget this action.